



# Update on Department of Parks and Recreation Operating Status during COVID-19 Emergency

**Notice: The Public Health Emergency is now in effect through April 24;  
school and government reopen on April 27.**

## What is our operating status?

All DPR facilities, playgrounds, gated parks, athletic fields and courts will be closed until Friday, April 24, 2020. Only skate parks, trails, open green spaces, and some dog parks remain available for use by residents during normal hours. Although certain DPR outdoor amenities remain open, residents are reminded to continue to practice social distancing, even while outdoors.

## How does this impact what we do?

- Recreation Centers – are closed until April 24, 2020.
- Indoor Pools – are closed until April 24, 2020.
- Playgrounds – are closed until April 24, 2020.
- Athletic Courts – are closed until April 24, 2020.
- Athletic Fields – are closed until April 24, 2020.
- Gated Parks – are closed until April 24, 2020.
- Swampoodle Dog Park – is closed until April 24, 2020.
- Permits and Programs – are closed until April 24, 2020.

## How does this impact our physical locations?

- All DPR facilities are closed from March 16-April 24, 2020.

## What else are we offering to meet your needs?

- Skate parks, trails, open green spaces, and some dog parks remain available for use by residents during normal hours.
- DPR will be broadcasting #FITDC workouts for residents every weekday at 9:00 am for seniors and 3:00 pm for kids on DCN Channel 16 and Mayor Bowser's social media pages.
- Online Gathering/Social Sharing – DPR will be sharing recommendations for [in-home recreation](#) and hosting virtual programs online.
- DPR Headquarters employees are teleworking and are available to answer questions or concerns related to Parks and Recreation Operations. More information is available at <https://dpr.dc.gov>.

## What precautions are we taking to limit the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19)?

Facilities are closed with closure signs, as well as social distancing signs. Our employees are taking precautions to keep themselves healthy and limit the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19), including regularly washing their hands, cleaning currently open and operational facilities more frequently, and reducing close contact with each other and residents. Employees have been instructed to let their supervisor know immediately if they feel sick.

## Where should you go if you have questions?

For questions about any of the services we provide and information on any future changes, please contact us at 202-673-7647 or [dpr@dc.gov](mailto:dpr@dc.gov). For more information, please visit [coronavirus.dc.gov](https://coronavirus.dc.gov) and for guidance on social distancing outdoors at <https://coronavirus.dc.gov/page/dc-health-guidance>.